IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

YANG, et al.

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Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences-Large Entity

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated July 11, 2006, in which claims 2, 6-9, 14, 17, 20, 37-40, 69, and 71-75 were finally rejected or twice rejected.

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Accompanying this response is the necessary fee under § 1.17(a)(1) of \$120.00. Applicants believe that no additional fees are required in connection with this filing. However, if additional fees are due for additional extensions of time and are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-3994.

Respectfully submitted,

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